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SUBJECT: ITEM ON GKR UNILATERAL CEASEFIRE IN EA PRESS SUMMARY

REF: STATE 200923

1. EA PRESS SUMMARY FOR OCTOBER 10 CARRIES THE FOLLOWING
IHAM:

"GKHBJS UNILATERAL CEASEFIRE EFFECTIVE IN MOST OF
CAMBODIA, EXCEPT KOMPONG TRALACH. LON NOL, HOPING TO
EXPLOIT REPORTED CONFLICTS BETWEEN KI AND VC/NVN, ISSUES
NEW APPEAL TO REBELS TO JOINING HIS FORCES AND DRIVE OUT
VIETNAMESE (WP, NYDN, CSM, NYT, PHINQ)."

2. US PRESS STORIES TO WHICH THIS ITEM REFERS WERE
PROBABLY BASED ON MARSHAL LON NOL'S MESSAGE TO THE KHMER
NATION ON OCTOBER 9 ON THE OCCASION OF THE THIRD ANNIVERSARY
OF THE KHMER REPUBLIC. THE ONLY REFERENCE HE MADE TO A
UNILATERAL CEASEFIRE WAS MENTION OF THE GKR'S SUSPENSION
OF OFFENSIVE OPERATIONS LAST JANUARY 29, TO FACILITATE
COMPLIANCE WITH ARTICLE 20 OF THE PARIS ACCORD (WHCIH
CALLS FOR WITHDRAWAL OF FOREIGN TROOPS FROM CAMBODIA).
(IT WILL BE REMEMBERED THAT THE INSURGENTS RESPONDED
WITH A GENERAL OFFENSIVE). IN HIS MESSAGE, THE MARSHAL
SAID THAT OTHER SIDE COULD INDICATE A DATE AND PLACE FOR
NEGOTIATIONS AT ANY TME AND HE APPEALED FOR ALL
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KHMER, INCLUDING THOSE UNDER ENEMY CONTROL, TO RALLY

IN SUPPORT OF THE REPUBLIC.

3. IN ANY CASE, WE KNOW OF NO CURRENT GKR UNILATERAL CEASEFIRE, ALTHOUGH THE OVERALL LEVEL OF MILITARY ACTIVITY IS SOMEWHAT LOWER THAN IT WAS A FEW WEEKS AGO, THERE IS FIGHTING IN NUMEROUS AREAS AND IN SOME CASES THE INITIATIVE IS WITH FANK.

4. EITHER A PORTION OF REFTEL PARAGRAPH TWO WAS OMITTED IN TRANSMISSION, OR THE PRESS STORIES IN QUESTION WERE GROSSLY INACCURATE.

5. WE WOULD APPRECIATE CLARIFICATION RE CONTENTS OF THE STORIES ON THIS SUBJECT.
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